

# WARSHIPS PLAY HIDE-AND-SEEK IN CHINA SEA.

**Believed that Russian Baltic Fleet is Endeavoring to Form a Junction With the Vladivostok Squadron Before Striking a Blow.**

**TRYING TO ELUDE  
ADMIRAL TOGO.**

**St. Petersburg Thinks Rodjstevsky Has Slipped the Japanese, But Japanese Embassy in London Thinks Togo is Simply Waiting.**

Tokio, April 10.—Messages received here say that Rodjstevsky is seeking to avoid Admiral Togo's fleet.

**RUSSIAN FLEET ANCHORED.**  
Steamer Reports That It Is Northeast of Island of Manki.

London, April 10.—The only news received today in regard to the Russian Baltic fleet is contained in a despatch to Lydia from Singapore, stating that the Gregory which has just arrived there reports:  
"Passed one a. m. today the Russian fleet anchored twenty miles northeast of Manki, one of the Anamba Islands." There is no confirmation of the report that Admiral Rodjstevsky is not with the squadron.

**RUSSIAN FLEET REPORTED.**  
Believed in Amsterdam It Is Near Banca Island in Malay Archipelago.

Amsterdam, April 10.—A telegram from Batavia, Java, says that the Russian fleet is reported off Banca island. It is expected that the fleet will arrive at Batavia. It is believed here that Rodjstevsky is with his squadron of battleships.

Banca is an island in the Malay archipelago and lies between Sumatra and Netherlands. The island belongs to the

**JAPANESE CONFIDENT.**  
Think Togo Will Be Able to Locate Russians and Defeat Them.

Tokio, April 10.—It is believed here that Admiral Rodjstevsky has appointed a second rendezvous in the Pacific and that he will surely quit the China Sea and sail east of the Philippines. The newspapers all express the greatest confidence that Admiral Togo will be able to locate the Russian fleet and defeat it.

**RUSSIANS HOPEFUL.**  
Think That Rodjstevsky Has Eluded Togo and Will Change Fortune of War.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—Telegrams from various parts of the country show that the people are hopeful that Admiral Rodjstevsky has eluded Togo's fleet, and that he will now be able to effect a material change in the Russians' fortune in war.

**INTENSE EXCITEMENT.**  
St. Petersburg People Are Waiting for News of Fleet With Feverish Anxiety.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—The most intense excitement prevails here. The people are waiting with the most feverish anxiety for news of the fleet.

**THREATEN TOGO'S REAR.**  
Three Cruisers of the Vladivostok Fleet Enter China Sea.

St. Petersburg, April 11.—There is no reason to believe that Vice Admiral Rodjstevsky's entrance into the China sea has been followed by orders for the cruisers Gromboi, Rossia and Bogatyr, which have been ready for some time at Vladivostok, to put to sea. Whether it is the intention to send them south immediately or to hold them in the vicinity of Vladivostok is not known. Their appearance outside of the roadstead of Vladivostok would constitute a potential threat against Admiral Togo's rear that will compel the retention in or despatch of a number of heavy fighting ships to Japanese waters. Thus Admiral Togo seems to be virtually placed between two fires.

**PREPARED FOR DEFEAT.**  
Togo's Downfall Would Not Affect the Course of War, Says Japanese Official.

London, April 10.—The opinion is expressed at the Japanese legation here that Admiral Togo will not attack Rodjstevsky until the latter has reached Japanese waters. Secretary Kaiko of the embassy said today:  
"If opportunity occurs Admiral Togo

will certainly attempt to torpedo Rodjstevsky's fleet by units, but it is my belief that our navy will wait until the Russians reach the neighborhood of Formosa or Japan before delivering a general assault. This will give us the advantage of a base nearby and will further handicap them by compelling them to cross the China sea.  
"If Admiral Togo should be defeated it would not have the slightest effect on the general course of the war. Our home authorities long ago made arrangements to cope with this eventuality, and even if Rodjstevsky should obtain command of the Japanese sea, it would not cause us the slightest embarrassment. Why this is so must remain a secret."

**"BURNING WITH DESIRE."**  
Linevitch and Kuropatkin Send a Glowing Despatch.

St. Petersburg, April 10.—Generals Linevitch and Kuropatkin, under date of April 7, telegraphed Emperor Nicholas recording the events of the anniversary of the Immaculate Conception in Manchuria and the review of the troops there who, the generals represent, are burning with the desire to maintain the glory of the Russian army. The despatches also conveyed further messages of devotion and loyalty to the throne.

Emperor Nicholas has telegraphed suitable replies.  
Under date of April 8, General Linevitch reported no change in the situation.

**RENDEZVOUS SELECTED.**  
Russians May Have Selected the Anamba Group of Islands For It.

Singapore, April 10.—The confirmation of the report that the Russian fleet was headed toward the Anamba group of islands was brought by the steamer Rodnorshire on her arrival today. The vessel reports that at 1:45 yesterday afternoon she saw the Baltic fleet five miles from Polodamar, one of the Anamba group, and heading toward Pulomuti. The Rodnorshire also saw four warships, apparently Japanese vessels, off Cape St. James, Cochinchina, April 7.

It is thought that Rodjstevsky has selected the Anamba islands as a place of rendezvous.

**DEAD IN THE ROAD.**  
Ethan Allen of West Ferrisburg Met Death in an Unexplained Manner.

Vergennes, April 10.—The dead body of Ethan Allen of West Ferrisburg was found yesterday near the Webster place on the Pantan road, a short distance out of this city, by Joseph Miner of Creamery, who was on his way to the post office. The body was lying on its back in a pool of water and on it rested a single wagon, upside down. The back of the seat was on the man's stomach and across the legs was a bag of feed weighing about 100 pounds. Near the wagon stood the horse with nothing of the harness on excepting the back pad. One rein was clutched in the dead man's hands. One the face were several cuts evidently made by the horse's hoofs as he restlessly moved to and fro in an effort to free himself.

Mr. Allen, who is quite a prominent farmer, left Vergennes for his home Saturday night between eleven and twelve o'clock. It is reported that he had been drinking freely during the evening. It is not probable that the exact circumstances of his death will ever be known.

**WOMAN STARTED RIOT.**  
Several Men Shot in Pennsylvania Town Yesterday.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 10.—Three men were shot, one probably fatally, and one woman was injured in a riot at Schoenerville, near McKees Rocks yesterday. The rioting was the result of a clash between 15 detectives and about 1,200 foreign residents of Schoenerville.

Mrs. Agnes Sadna, a Polish woman, over the arrest of whom the riot started, was bruised in the scuffle, but escaped arrest.

The riot was the climax of a series of smaller riots and fights which took place in Schoenerville during the past two weeks. During the arrest of some coal pickers last Friday by the Lake Erie railroad detectives, Mrs. Sadna interfered and caused a small riot. The detectives, four in number, were driven out of the town by a mob of Hungarians and Poles.

**DESPONDENT, SHOOT HERSELF.**  
Daughter of New York Bank President Committed Suicide.

New York, April 10.—Miss Mary Gallaway, daughter of Robert M. Gallaway, president of the Merchants' National bank, killed herself in her room in the Hotel Seville in Madison avenue yesterday. Miss Gallaway, who had been a confirmed dyspeptic for seven years, was recently removed to the hotel from her father's residence and was attended by two trained nurses. One of these was engaged hanging some clothes in a wardrobe when she heard the sound of a shot and turning to the bed saw Miss Gallaway, who had been sitting proper up with pillows, fall over. She had shot herself through the mouth, death being instantaneous. Miss Gallaway was 31 years old. Despondency due to long continued illness is believed to have been the cause of the suicide.

# VERMONT A SUICIDE

**F. F. Finnessy of Burlington, Aged 20 Years.**

**LEFT THE CITY WEDNESDAY**

Registered in New York Hotel Under Assumed Name—Ordered Cigars and Then Sent Bullet Crashing Into His Right Temple.

New York, April 10.—F. F. Finnessy of Burlington, Vt., committed suicide last night by shooting at the Hotel Imperial.

He registered at the hotel on the 7th of the month as "G. W. Green, Chicago," and seemed, according to the management, to be well supplied with money. A search of his effects disclosed no money or jewelry. Open on the dresser of the room was the following letter, believed to have been written a short time before the fatal shot was fired:

"In case of any accident please notify my mother, Mrs. Mary Finnessy, 29 Murray street, Burlington, Vt."

The letter was written on handsome stationery bearing a crest embossed in gold with the monogram "G. H. G." In one of his pockets was a leather wallet with the name of F. F. Finnessy, Van Ness House, Burlington, Vt.

He returned to the hotel about eight o'clock Sunday night after being out of his room all day, and went to his room, and summoning a waiter ordered supper. Later he rang for cigars and while the boy was downstairs shot himself.

When the boy returned to the room he found Finnessy lying dead on the bed with a revolver beside him. A bullet had entered the right temple.

**Left Burlington Wednesday.**  
Burlington, April 11.—F. F. Finnessy was a young man about 20 years old and had been employed for about a month as bell boy at the Van Ness House in this city. He was well liked here, the management reporting him to have been a very pleasant young fellow of good habits and one whom they hated to lose. He left the Van Ness last Wednesday saying that he and his mother were going West.

**TROOPS IN REBELLION.**  
Fort Ethan Allen Soldiers Say They Will Not Serve Under Lieut. Bowman.

Burlington, April 10.—The men of Troop B, 15th cavalry, at the military post, with the exception of about ten, are on a drunken debauch and they are making their boasts in this city, Winooski, on the electric cars and wherever they are to be found that they will not resume their duties so long as First Lieut. George T. Bowman commands their troop.

The lieutenant has placed several of his men in the guard house and given orders that others who are at present in this city be given berths there as soon as they return to the post. On Saturday afternoon he placed 25 men in arrest for making remarks to him from a squad room window. The men deny the charge, stating that they were talking to a sergeant.

Saturday evening a non-commissioned officer of Troop B was talking of Lieut. Bowman in Frank Goke's saloon in Winooski. A sergeant from another troop ordered him to keep quiet. Five beer glasses were thrown at the sergeant's head, but none of them did any harm. The non-commissioned officer, who started the row, received a cut over one eye by a blow from the sergeant, who tried to quell the disturbance.

**PANIC IN THEATRE.**  
One Man Fatally Hurt and a Score of Others Injured.

Kokomo, Ind., April 10.—George Armstrong, 17 years old, was fatally injured and a score of persons seriously burned last night during a fire in the Sipe Theatre, which was caused by the ignition of a roll of celluloid films used in operating a moving picture machine. In the panic that followed Armstrong jumped through a window in the third floor and sustained fatal injuries.

A moving picture show was in progress and during the intermission a big celluloid film, suspended over the balcony railing was ignited by an electric light. The machine operator threw the audience into a panic and started a rush for the fire escapes and exits by a cry of "lookout, the theatre is on fire." In an instant about 600 people rushed toward the exits.

**BODY RECOVERED.**  
Albert R. Pemberton of Ayer, Mass., Missing for Ten Days.

Worcester, Mass., April 10.—A special to the Telegram from Shirley village, says:

The body of Albert R. Pemberton, missing since April 1, was taken from the White Mill pond yesterday in the presence of 2,000 people and has been removed to Ayer, where an autopsy will be performed today by Dr. W. J. Steepel of Westford, medical examiner. Pemberton was nearly 48 years old and an employee of a suspender factory.

# YOUNG FOOL WITH A GUN

**Shot and Killed His Sister Yesterday Afternoon.**

**DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS--ETC.**

Daniel Sweet, Aged 20, of Starkboro, Gave Order to Sister Laughingly, She Disobeyed—He Aimed Rifle and Girl Fell, Shot Through the Neck.

Burlington, April 10.—Daniel Sweet, aged twenty years, of Starkboro, shot and killed his sister, Cora, aged sixteen years, yesterday at noon. It was another case of "didn't know it was loaded." Sweet laughingly ordered his sister up from the floor, where she was sitting. The girl declined to get up. Sweet got a rifle from the corner and shot her. The victim died soon, the ball having cut her jugular vein.

His mother cautioned the young man that the gun was loaded, but her words were of no avail.

**PRESIDENT IN WILDS  
OF OKLAHOMA.**  
For Five Days He Will Chase Wild Animals Through That Country—Then Animals of Colorado Will Take to Tallest Timber.

Frederick, Oklahoma, April 10.—President Roosevelt is now separated from civilization. He is in camp with his comrades in the chase at Panther Springs, on the Red River, east of Frederick. The hunt began today and will continue for five days.

The president is accompanied by Gen. S. B. M. Young, Col. Cecil Lyon, Capt. Burk Burnett, a former confederate, and Sloan Simpson, a member of Roosevelt's Rough Riders regiment; Lieut. G. D. Fortescue, Dr. Abernathy, a wolf catcher, Capt. Patrick Dooling and Capt. A. W. McDonald, guides.

The programme is to confine the hunt to the close tract thirty-six miles square, leased by Captain Burnett from the Kiowa and the Comanche Indians.

Secretary Loeb, the secret service agents and the representatives of the press, returned to Fort Worth, where they will remain until President Roosevelt emerges from the wilds. Then a dash will be made to Colorado, where the president will hunt mountain lion and bear.

Secretary Loeb will be in constant communication with the president.

**SALOONS ALL CLOSED.**  
Twin Cities of Kansas City Were Dry Yesterday.

Kansas City, Mo., April 10.—Saloons in both Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas City, Kansas, and the suburbs of the latter city, as well as the outlying saloons and wine gardens in Jackson county, Missouri, were closed yesterday. Last Sunday when the closing order went into effect in Kansas City, Mo., people went across the line into Kansas, or to the many gardens in the country on the Kansas side. Yesterday, however, the closing order took in all the places, including hotels where liquor was sold.

**ARRESTED AND DISCHARGED.**  
United States Cavalrymen Went on a Protracted Spree.

Manchester, N. H., April 10.—Irving Bickford and Lawrence McDonough, two members of the United States cavalry stationed at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., were arrested Saturday afternoon in the Valley cemetery, where they were sleeping off the effects of a jag.

The commander of Fort Ethan Allen was notified of the arrest of the men, as they were believed to be deserters. He declined to accept the telegram and it came back to the police, who promptly turned the men loose.

Both said that they had left the fort after pay day, but intended to return in a few days. They went on a spree.

**TEN APPLICANTS.**  
Of That Number, Eight Want First Class Licenses in Northfield.

Northfield, April 10.—The last meeting of the license commissioners was held in the town clerk's office Saturday night and ten applications were made for licenses. There were eight applicants for a first class, M. E. Yarrington, James Reid, E. A. Kelly, M. Broggi, Jeremiah M. Donahue and P. C. Starr. Two for a second class, Fred C. Greene and John E. Plunkett. The public hearing of the applications will take place on the 28th of April at seven o'clock in the evening, at village hall.

**EXPRESSED NO REGRETS.**  
Murderer, Put to Death Today, Made No Statement Whatever.

Oshining, N. Y., April 10.—Martin Elbelt was electrocuted at 5:52 this morning, for the murder of his wife at Mount Vernon, July 4, 1904. Elbelt, who was but 24 years old, was the youngest victim of the electrocutions. He made no farewell statement and left no letter of any kind, expressing regret for the crime.

**FOUND DEAD IN BED.**  
James Scott, Father of Mrs. Joseph Menard of This City, Died Yesterday.

James Scott, father of Mrs. Joseph Menard of this city, was found dead in bed at his home in St. Albans yesterday morning, having sustained a shock of apoplexy.

He was born 63 years ago on the sea while his parents were on their way from Scotland to this country. He came to this state from Canada and some time for ex-Gov. Carroll S. Page of Hyde Park, removing to St. Albans forty years ago. He was a tinsmith by trade, and worked at his trade for many years.

His wife, Rose Bomeville, died last year, but he is survived by six children, Mrs. Joseph Merrick of Barre, Mrs. J. W. Parker of Montpelier, Archie Scott of St. Albans. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Mark Allen, and a brother, Daniel Scott, both of Montpelier. The funeral arrangements have not been made.

**RANGERS ELECT OFFICERS.**  
Are Preparing For An Active Foot Ball Season.

A meeting was held in Mr. Scampini's store Saturday night. A number of new members were admitted. The Rangers are to do their best to bring to Barre the champion amateur team of New England when they tour the United States, also the Californians of Holyoke.

The following office bearers were elected: Hon. Pres., A. Scampini; Pres., A. Wishart; vice pres., Joseph Will; secretary, J. E. Bennett; treas., A. Cowie; capt., J. Kessock; vice capt., G. McLeod; executive, A. Wishart; G. Dinnie, H. Gordon, A. Masson, J. F. Bennett; match com., Jas. Duncan, H. Gordon, John Bennis, A. Cowie, A. Lawrence; auditors, R. Duff and James Duncan; trustees, J. H. Shaw, J. Lamont, D. McPhee. Secretary's address, 13 Brook street.

**LOOKS LIKE DALEY.**  
Former Base Ball Manager Likely To Be Re-engaged.

At the meeting of the directors of the Intercity Athletic association to be held at Dan Donnelly's store in Montpelier, it is expected that Arthur W. Daley, manager of last summer's team, will be re-engaged for this season.

**TERRIFIC STORM  
BROKE IN PITTSBURG**

Great Amount of Damage Was Done This Afternoon, After Morning of Ideal Spring Weather—Hail Storm.

Pittsburg, April 10.—At 1:15 this afternoon a terrific wind and rain storm broke upon the city, following a morning of ideal spring weather. The sun shone warmly. At 1:30 the rain changed to hail, which quickly covered the ground. Horses ran uncontrolled through the street. Skylights by thousands were smashed and a large amount of damage resulted.

**A DESPERATE ATTEMPT.**  
Under Sentence of Death, Arthur Laster Tried to Escape from Jail.

Patterson, N. J., April 10.—Arthur Laster, who is under sentence to be hanged on Friday next, made a desperate attempt to escape from jail here last night. He shot the two deputy sheriffs on the death watch, but failed to get away and was finally clubbed to unconsciousness by policemen whom the deputy sheriffs called to their aid. Neither of the injured deputies will die, although one of them was shot in the abdomen. The other was not seriously hurt, and it was this fact that frustrated the escape. Laster was locked in a small corridor remote from other prisoners. Although wounded the deputies escaped from the corridor and locked Laster in.

**BALL PLAYERS ARRESTED.**  
First Man Up Made Base Hit and Ran Into Policeman's Arms.

New York, April 10.—In an exhibition game of base ball played on the grounds of the Catholic Protective, Van Nest, yesterday, the New York National League champions defeated the Emerald team of the Protective, 10 to 5.

Neal of the New York team was the first batsman to step to the plate and after a base hit he was placed under arrest on a technical charge of violating the Sabbath law. Two of the players of the Emerald team also were arrested and all three were bailed in a nominal sum at the police station.

**TRIAL POSTPONED.**  
Nan Patterson's Case Goes Over Because of Extradition Proceedings.

New York, April 10.—Because of the extradition proceedings, in which it is sought to bring to this city J. Morgan Smith and wife, brother-in-law and sister of Nan Patterson, the actress charged with slaying her lover, Caesar Young, the trial of the "Flodora girl" was postponed this morning for a week.

**Body Found in Field.**  
Milford, N. H., April 10.—The body of Miss Susan Babcock, the daughter of Dr. D. C. Babcock, pastor of the Methodist church here, who disappeared from her home on Sunday last, was found yesterday in the meadows just off the Mount Vernon road and about a mile and a half from the parsonage. The medical referee pronounced death to have resulted from exhaustion.

# ATTENDANCE WAS LARGE

**Mathewson School Building Dedicated Saturday Evening**

**WAS A NOTABLE AFFAIR.**

Speakers Were State Superintendent of Education W. E. Ranger of Montpelier and R. S. Currier of This City—Reception Previous to Exercises.

The Mathewson school building on Elm street was used today for the first time, when the public schools of the city opened for the spring term of school, the dedication of the structure for school work having taken place Saturday evening when a large number of people were present. All the afternoon and evening of Saturday there was a steady stream of people going in and out of the building, most of them parents and citizens, although there were many from the neighboring towns and others interested in the cause of education. Among the visitors were W. E. Ranger, state superintendent of education, one of the speakers of the evening, and President C. H. Spooner of Norwich University. It is estimated that five or six hundred people inspected the building. In fact, the interest shown was so noticeable that it was the occasion for felicitation by State Superintendent Ranger.

The handsome structure presented a gala appearance Saturday evening, every room from basement to garret being brilliantly lighted by gas. The new gas fixtures, for some reason, had not come and so temporary fixtures had to be put in hastily during the afternoon. The haste in which they were installed accounts for the escaping of gas, which caused some annoyance. To add to the appearance of the building the halls and some of the rooms had been artistically decorated by the teachers, and the effect was very pleasing. The halls were festooned by colored tissues, and palms and potted plants added to the general effect. Two of the rooms on the first floor also showed the result of decorative art. One of them, with decorations in blue, received the name "Blue Room" and also "Hall of Fame." This latter name was attached because the blackboard contained the names of all the school commissioners the city has ever had, twenty-one in number, each name encircled by a laurel wreath. The second room decorated was named the "Red Room" from the color of its decorations. On the blackboard of this room, Miss Badger, the drawing teacher, had portrayed all the nine public school buildings of the city, while on the opposite side of the room, in marked contrast, was a sketch of the primitive "little school houses by the road." The other rooms of the building were left just as they will be, to allow the parents to have an idea of the conditions under which their children attend school.

The guests were received in the lower hall by B. W. Hooker, president of the board of school commissioners, and Mrs. Hooker, Supt. O. D. Mathewson, after whom the building was named, and Mrs. Mathewson, and C. H. White, first assistant in the high school, and Mrs. White, the teachers being the committee of introduction. Then the guests were free to go wherever they pleased and to inspect everything connected with the building. Dainty refreshments were served by teachers, every hall and every hall landing having its prettily arranged booth. At intervals during the evening strains of music floated through the building from a young men's orchestra which occupied a position on one of the first floor landings. The music added greatly to the pleasure of the evening. A piano from the music room of H. A. Gould had been temporarily placed in the building.

At nine o'clock short dedication exercises were held, the addresses being given from a landing just above the first floor. School Commissioner Hooker introduced the speakers. The Rev. F. A. Poole, pastor of the Congregational church, offered prayer, and then Richard S. Currier, who was formerly connected with the public schools of the city, was presented, to speak on the history of the schools. In a concise way Mr. Currier traced the development of the system from the earliest beginnings to the present day, covering a hundred years. He divided the time into three periods: (1) From the early part of the nineteenth century down to 1869, which he called the "district school period"; (2) the period from 1869 through two decades to 1889, which he characterized as the "transition period," and (3) from 1889 to the present time, the period which has seen the development of the Spaulding graded school system.

Mr. Currier told how there were seven teachers and 350 scholars at the beginning of the last period and how through the growth of the city there are now fifty teachers and 2,000 scholars. He said that the city of Barre has expended \$150,000 for buildings and repairs in that period and that with the exception of \$39,000 there is nothing outstanding. The high school has also been developed. He combated the sometimes-heard cry of expense by quoting a few figures. The figures showed that seven towns in Vermont paid an average of \$23.73 per scholar; Barre paid an average of \$11.76, and it is well known that Barre's schools are second to none in the state. He gave the credit for the excellent school system to the citizens of the city and the teachers, and among the latter chief-

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